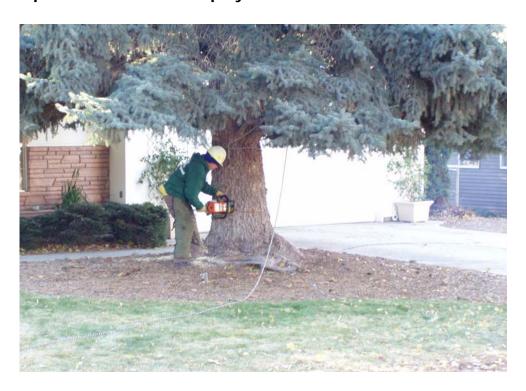
Capítol Holíday Tree Arrives at Statehouse; Tree Lighting Ceremony Nov. 28, 6 p.m.



2005 Statehouse Holiday Tree is a 60-foot Spruce, donated by Boise school teachers, Cara and Brian Whitney. Below, Department of Lands employee cuts the tree.





Following cutting, tree is lifted by crane to flat bed truck for journey to the Idaho Capitol from the Whitney home in Boise's north end. Below, crane lifts the tree from the truck for placement at the top of the Capitol's front steps.





Facilities Services employees from the Department of Administration await tree's placement by the crane at the top of the steps. They will begin their work of stabilizing the tree to the Statehouse building, and placing over 10,000 lights on its branches. Below, tree must be trimmed just abit to fit at the top of the stairs.





Crane West of Boise has donated its services for several years to lift the Holiday Tree, first from its original location to its ceremonial placement at the top of the Capitol Front Steps. The Department of Lands provides the sawyers to cut the tree and the Idaho Transportation Department provides the flat-bed truck for transport.

